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TO AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

AMEMBASSY WELLINGTON

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E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: PROPOSED AMMO SALE BY GOA TO GNZ

1. DEPT HAS RECEIVED REQUEST FROM GOA EMBASSY TO APPROVE SALE OF 60 ROUNDS OF 106MM. AMMUNITION TO GNZ. THIS AMMUNITION HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY PURCHASED BY GOA FROM US ARMY AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH FOREIGN MILITARY SALES ACT (FMSA), USG APPROVAL IS REQUIRED FOR ITS TRANSFER TO A THIRD COUNTRY.

2. FOR CANBERRA: YOU MAY INFORM APPROPRIATE GOA OFFICIALS THAT USG IS PREPARED TO APPROVE SALE PENDING OUR RECEIPT OF STANDARD TRANSFER ASSURANCE FROM GNZ. IN ADDITION, PURSUANT TO SECTION 3(A) OF THE FMSA, WE ARE NOTIFYING CONGRESS IN ADVANCE OF OUR APPROVING THE TRANSFER. WHILE WE ANTICIPATE NO DIFFICULTIES WITH ABOVE TWO REQUIREMENTS, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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YOU SHOULD EMPHASIZE TO GOA THAT USG FINAL APPROVAL CANNOT

BE PROVIDED UNTIL BOTH REQUIREMENTS ARE MET.

3. FOR WELLINGTON: EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO OBTAIN THIRD-PARTY TRANSFER ASSURANCE IN WRITING AS FOLLOWS: "THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE GNZ PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND

HAS THE HONOR TO CALL TO THE ATTENTION OF THE EMBASSY THE PROPOSED PURCHASE BY THE GNZ OF SIXTY ROUNDS OF 106MM AMMUNITION FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA. THE GNZ UNDERSTANDS THAT THE CONSUMMATION OF THIS TRANSACTION IS DEPENDENT UPON THE RECEIPT BY THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA OF WRITTEN CONSENT TO THE SALE FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES, AND FURTHER UNDERSTANDS THAT IN KEEPING WITH UNITED STATES LAW AND REGULATIONS, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES MAY GIVE SUCH CONSENT ONLY UPON BEING FURNISHED WITH ASSURANCES FROM THE GNZ THAT IT WILL NOT TRANSFER BY ANY MEANS SUCH DEFENSE ARTICLES TO ANY OTHER COUNTRY, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION, OR PERSON WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING THE WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOREGOING, THE GNZ HEREBY GIVES ITS ASSURANCES THAT IT WILL NOT TRANSFER THE AMMUNITION WHICH IT PROPOSES TO PURCHASE FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA BY SALE, LEASE, RELEASE, ASSIGNMENT, LOAN, CONVEYANCE, OR ANY OTHER MEANS TO ANOTHER GOVERNMENT, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION, OR PERSON WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING THE WRITTEN APPROVAL OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. (FORMAL CLOSE)."

4. PLEASE INFORM DEPT WHEN ABOUT ASSURANCE IS RECEIVED AND PROVIDE COPY OF TEXT BY POUCH (ATTN: PM/SAS). MAW

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